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Beer and bombs are vying with each other to make Milwaukee famous.

Winter flannels and double windows are having their vogue just at this time.

Adjutant General Lee S. Tillotson has served the state's military department well and he goes to federal service with a long and creditable record in military affairs.

The capture of Cambrai would be a reason for giving thanks on Thursday, but perhaps it is too much to expect that event so soon after the British broke through the Hindenburg line.

Germany, it seems, is willing to give Japan something in return for retiring from the war, but the trouble is that Germany is willing to give somebody else's property and not her own.

The benefits of open-air life, regular habits, wholesome food and a certain amount of exercise are being experienced by the men of the national army who are gathered at Camp Devens, Mass. The men are gaining in weight and are generally improving in health.

The United States government will not, of course, continue to send money and supplies to Russia in case the Bolshevik government at Petrograd should actually begin peace negotiations with the German government. Such a state of affairs would be intolerable.

Above all things, do not waste food on Thanksgiving day and do not cook an unnecessary amount of food. Make it a reasonable Thanksgiving. Remember there is a shortage of food among our allies and that every pound saved by the individual family helps materially toward feeding the soldiers who are fighting for decency in the international world.

Some day the people of the United States will welcome a chance to hear Fritz Kreisler, but that day will be after Kreisler's country has finished making war on the allies of the United States and virtually on the United States itself. The people of the United States cannot overlook the fact that Kreisler fought with the Austrian forces until he was incapacitated by a wound and that he would be still fighting against our allies were it not for that wound.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt seems to have carried a considerable section of Canada by storm. The welcome which the people of Toronto gave the ex-president Monday night was equal to anything which the American people are doing. The chairman of the gathering, which was addressed by Col. Roosevelt, was particularly happy in his introduction when he referred to Roosevelt as a man who "has been of incalculable service in mobilizing the moral forces of the world against Germany and its iniquities." Sir Thomas White, who uttered those words, was telling nothing but the truth.

The United States is virtually at war with Austria, Turkey and Bulgaria because the government at Washington has been loaning money to several of the entente allies which are fighting against those countries. The United States is occupying an anomalous position and should get out of it at once, thereby putting itself in a situation to guard against the intrigue of those three countries, as well as Germany. Then, too, there is a possibility that United States troops will sooner or later be fighting shoulder to shoulder with the Italians against the Austrians. So a declaration of war seems to be the only solution of the present situation.

That the University of Vermont was not completely in sympathy with Anton H. Appellmann, recently professor of German in that institution, is indicated by the action of the Student union, representing the student body, in adopting a set of resolutions withholding endorsement of statements made in the college newspaper that "he was held in high esteem by all," that "never has the departure of a professor caused such feeling among the students" and that "it is with the deepest regret that the students see Dr. Appellmann go," etc. Besides withholding endorsement of such assertions, the Student union goes further and declares that while Dr. Appellmann undoubtedly raised the tone of the German department "the time was ripe for him to depart." The Student union might have gone further and investigated the source from whence the statements came, whether from a member of the editorial staff of the college newspaper or from someone very close to the departing professor.

"A VOICE OF THE HILLS."  
There is being issued from the Capital City Press at Montpelier a volume of poems written at various times by John W. Gordon, esquire, of Barre and now gathered in a collection which has been designated by the title of "A Voice of the Hills." The collection consists of 34 poems covering a wide range of subjects

matter and handled in the human interest style of Mr. Gordon's efforts along the line of rhythmic word. There are some poems with particular reference to the life of Mr. Gordon's home city of Barre; there are others which recall the days of his service in the Vermont Senate; there are some which call attention to his alma mater, Dartmouth college, and there are still more of miscellaneous topic. All of them make an interesting reading as they did when first they fell from Mr. Gordon's pen, and the little volume will be treasured very much by many persons. In presenting the book to the public eye Mr. Gordon lays no claim to undying fame as a poet, but declares:

"We vainly wish that they were better—These products of our idle hours—That they were true in line and letter As are the stars and vernal flowers." And he adds:

"No reader with a critic's eye Should waste his time upon these pages; To win his praise we did not try Nor shall we sorrow if he rages."

"So here they are—our waifs of fancy—No thunderous line to stun the ear No witching, rhythmic necromancy, No tragic word to draw a tear." But in spite of Mr. Gordon's modesty of presentation we feel sure that the little anthology will appeal to many persons upon whose ears the thunderous lines would fall unheeded. "A Voice of the Hills" may not speak in stentorian tones but it does have a human interest appeal.

CURRENT COMMENT

Graham Could Have It.

The people of Vermont are not interested in politics at the present time, although various newspapers keep referring to the subject. If Horace F. Graham allows his name to go before the primaries next year he will be chosen governor for a second term, breaking a precedent which has been kept in force for years by the senseless mountain rule. If Mr. Graham says his work is completed, and that he prefers to have another man take up the duties of chief executive, Frank E. Howe of Bennington will step into the limelight as the strongest candidate in sight, for the reason that he is widely known and trusted.—Brattleboro Reformer.

Vermont Justified.

Vermont knows that it is not a slacker state and we have been content to pass over certain slurs of the metropolitan press with calm in the confidence the official figures would eventually prove to outsiders what was well known at home. From Colonial days through all the wars in which this nation has been engaged Vermont has been in the front rank of the states and the story is no different now.

We are glad that steps have been taken to present the official figures in a form which will make the state's position clear to all and they will be found printed in another column of this paper to-day.

Vermont is not so populous as some of the other states of the nation and it has not the large cities with their concomitant slums. But the official figures of the adjutant general of the army show that on June 30, the last figures available, this state had furnished 61 per cent of its share of men for the regular army. In enlistments in the National Guard and regular army, after the date of call, Vermont stood seventh in a list of all the states. As compared with the entire nation the state furnished 165 per cent of its share. With respect to the National Guard at the time of call and subsequent enlistments Vermont stood eighth, furnishing, in comparison with the rest of the union, 166 per cent of its share. These figures tell the story.—Burlington News.

To Secure the Draft's Fairness.

If the next quotas of the national army are to be filled in the selective order so carefully planned for them, it begins to seem evident that the administrative plan of the draft must undergo still further amendment. At present the unit for classification of registrants is the number which comes under the authority of any one local board. This number may include a fair percentage of registrants under each one of the four classes lately announced by the provost marshal general to determine the order of eligibility for the national service. Some large divisions may still have a large proportion, indeed, of the more eligible candidates. On the other hand, by the inroads of the first draft, some local divisions may have been wholly depleted of registrants falling in the classes most available for service, and have ready to offer only those of the deferred classes.

It appears, therefore, that if quotas should continue to be filled by each local division, without regard to the registration list in other divisions, the essential purpose of the new selective order would be in large part defeated. Many men of the deferred classes would find themselves at once called for service, despite the fact that in other divisions many of class 1 and class 2 had not yet been called.

The suggestion offered to combat this difficulty is that the whole state should be taken as the unit of classification, in a way which would pool the resources of all the local divisions. Not until the more eligible classes throughout the state had been practically exhausted would demand be made for the service of the less eligible men in any district. Since the purpose of such a change in method would coincide with the purpose declared by the provost marshal general in issuing his latest instructions, and be, perhaps, the only effective means of carrying out his intentions, it seems natural to anticipate the change will be ordered.—Boston Transcript.

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Oh Hum, Woman's Work Is Never Done.

Mrs. Myrtle Neal of East Acworth has been papering at the home recently purchased by Mrs. John Symonds.—South Acworth item.

Modesty begins at the toes and works upward in Orleans county, where Frank D. Flint, the Newport merchant, advertises that he "will arrange a separate room for the men who are inclined to be bashful about trying on shoes in a ladies' store."

With Mackerel Skies for Friday.

Harry Blake and Miss Lila Burke were married at Derby Saturday and returned to his home here, where they will reside. Mr. and Mrs. Blake are well liked and their friends hope that a clear sky may always hang over their lives with just enough clouds in it to make a beautiful sunset.—Salem Derby item.

Ma can do no cooking—She hasn't any wood. 'Nd we kids ain't looking. As a farmer's children should. Pa says, "learn the turkey trot, ('Twill warm your frozen knees) 'Cause I'm too busy wood to chop— I'm shipping Christmas trees."—Nostaw, 1917.

Evening service 7:30; come early. Evening theme: "Come Before Winter."—From the church notices.

Even the censor must pause in admiration of the Vermonters who wrote home: "We have left where we were, and are now where we are."

The Colyum, as one of the abutting lessees, grants the freedom of Enterprise alley to the Windsor county man who is advertising for "second hand coal."

Green Mountain Echoes.

Well, time for items again, so here goes.—Felchville item.

G. W. Buss lost a valuable cow the past week, also our favorite dog, "Trixie."—East Acworth item.

The correspondent has nasturtiums, marigolds, bachelor buttons in her garden, a reminder that winter is not here yet.—Simonsville item.

Miss Laura Leonard dined with Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Lane recently. She is a decided acquisition to the small social circle of Middletown.—Middletown item.

The snake skin found by Ralph Clark on the bank of Bell brook measured 6 1/2 inches in length and in the center was 10 inches in circumference.—Johnson item.

Will the person or persons who have taken the flowers from Douglas McClure's grave in the village cemetery be kind enough to return them, for he likes flowers?—West Derby item.

Little Muriel Kingsbury looked doubtfully at the parsnip soup and said: "I don't like this soup very well, but I will because it is war time."—Tarbel Hill item.

Mrs. Mason Smith and Mrs. Frank Carleton each got an eight-point buck, the woman hunters seeming to be more successful than the men.—Windham item.

Letters received from Miss Maud Washburn announce that she is very much pleased with her surroundings in the family of Prof. and Mrs. Stevens in New York and mention is made of her trips with the family, which are of interest and instructive.—Alstead, N. H. item.

George Hartwell and Ida Robie, two of our popular young people, gave their friends a surprise last Wednesday by setting up the cigars at J. E. Lee's. They were married in Woodsville.—Piermont, N. H. item.

According to present indications a party from Waterville has sold some yearlings that belonged to another man without first consulting the owner. That's the initiative, the referendum will come later.—Cristy district item.

"There is nothing more impudent in the history of plagiarism than our appropriation of 'God Save the King' and

dubbing it "America." So much for the opinion of Prof. Lounsbury, but since most of us are reconciled to the theft why not add the following verse when we sing "America" in public or private. Canadians sing it with deep feeling.

God save our noble men,  
Bring them safe home again,  
God save our men,  
Make them victorious,  
Patient and chivalrous,  
They are so dear to us,  
God save our men.

Nothing down-stage about the northern Vermont practitioner who gets into print with this: "My natural ability as a taxidermist is unusual."

Sunday, November 24.

In the fifth pew down she is seated,  
With tortoise-shells riding her nose—  
This grave young Lucy is knitting  
A marvelous pair of hose.

One sock is shaped like a fiddle,  
The other is smaller by inches—  
Yet never a moment relaxing,  
She thinks not of breadth nor of pinches.

She pities the shivering sailor,  
Who is out in the pelting storm,  
So she busily plies her needles,  
To keep him hearty and warm.

The lyceum of our high school days are "forums" now. Church suppers are gone and in their place we find the "cafeteria." Every dance is an "assembly," and down in Chester the junior Red Cross is going to hold a circuleurum fantasticum.

The Race Is Not Always to the Swift, Brother.

In the last week's issue of The Opinion the Newbury correspondent insinuated that I was slow. In reply to this will say that I have always been swift enough to keep up with him. If you don't believe it, ask him. (Signed) R. F. Dickey.—Bradford Opinion.

Little Raphael Choffe was the victim of an accident last week when his feet were burned by hot coffee.—Bartonsville item.

From his shins up to his nose,  
A rogue is Raphael Choffe.  
Just now he heinged his little toes,  
So Dad can't have his coffee.

"Over the river and through the wood"—remember the Thanksgiving song of your youth? And the refrain—

Hurrah for the fun!  
Is the pudding done?  
Hurrah for the pumpkin pie! M. S.

Are You Keeping a Scrap-Book for Your Soldier Boy?

A woman writes to the December Woman's Home Companion and says: "When Co. D of our State National Guard was assembled at the armory in a nearby town last summer, waiting for orders to proceed to the Mexican border, the morning paper printed a large picture of the company. It showed such a splendid likeness of my soldier boy that I cut out the whole picture and pasted it in an old ledger I found handy. The next day the paper contained the names of the officers and the men, with a few other items of interest connected with their leave-taking. These also I cut out and pasted in the ledger, and that was the beginning of a war-time scrapbook that was appreciated by my boy and will be when all this trouble is over.

"My friends helped me by saving all the news items they found in the state papers relative to the infantry division of which Co. D is a part. These, with letters from camp to the home and county papers, published letters sent to private individuals, contributions from the regular camp correspondent, and other news items about the boys individually or collectively, and all the poems (written by camp poets), were carefully preserved and pasted in the scrap book at my leisure."



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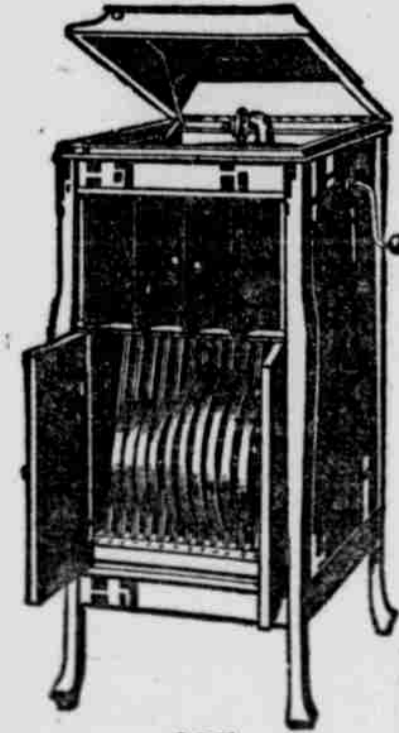
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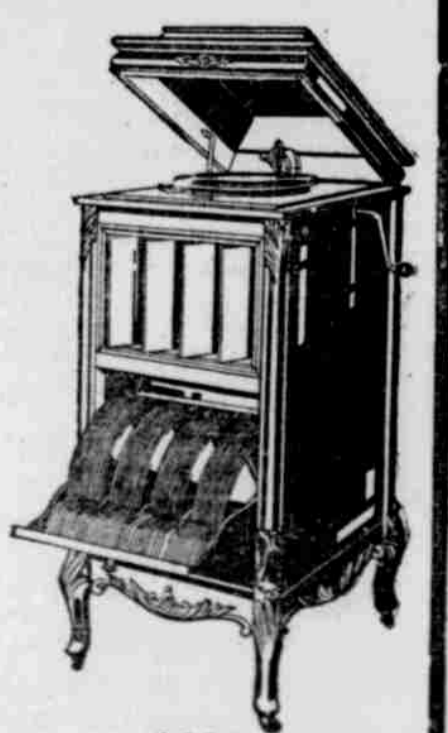
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